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DNR ANNOUNCES SCRAP TIRE PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT CONTEST WINNERS

DES MOINES – College and university students from across Iowa recently answered a call for public service announcement (PSA) entries as part of the DNR's "Retire Your Tires: Leave the Old When Buying New" statewide public awareness campaign.

The "Retire Your Tires: Leave the Old When Buying New" campaign encourages Iowans to leave their old tires at the dealership when buying new ones, helping to decrease the number of illegally dumped tires in Iowa.

"We were impressed by the quality and number of submitted entries," said Jill Cornell, information specialist at the DNR. "The winning submissions will be aired as part of our public awareness campaign this fall."

The DNR congratulates the following winners:

Television Category:

1st place – Joe Boyle, Scott Community College

2nd place - Maurita Gholston and Joe Kuefler, Buena Vista University

3rd place – Joe Boyle, Scott Community College

Radio Category:

1st place – Adam Christensen, Iowa Western Community College

2nd place – Nick Archer, Iowa Western Community College

3rd place – Mawounedalo Mawussi, Iowa Western Community College

Honorable mention – Shawn Rodgers, Drake University

The winning submissions will be honored at an awards luncheon on Friday, June 16, 2006 at the Des Moines Botanical Center. The luncheon is part of the First Impressions Symposium sponsored by Keep Iowa Beautiful.

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DNR ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

DES MOINES — The DNR took the following enforcement actions in May 2006, unless otherwise noted. The following are only briefs; please contact Jessie Brown of the DNR for more information at (515) 281-5131.

Consent Orders

A consent order is issued in settlement of an administrative order or as an alternative to issuing an administrative order. A consent order indicates that the DNR has voluntarily entered into a legally enforceable agreement with the other party.

- Shell Rock Products, Inc., of Shell Rock, agreed in a consent order to sample its public water supply for bacteria and nitrate, and to provide public notice of water monitoring violations. Shell Rock Products also agreed to pay a \$500 penalty and contribute \$1,000 to the Butler County Conservation Board as a supplemental environmental project.
- Ernest John Smith and Smith Fertilizer and Grain Company, of Knoxville, agreed in a consent order to properly dispose all solid waste from a site in Knoxville, submit documentation of proper disposal and pay a \$3,000 penalty. The consent order is in regard to solid waste and open burning violations.
- The City of Saint Ansgar agreed in a consent order to a schedule for improvements to its wastewater treatment system and to pay stipulated penalties if the schedule is not met.
- The City of Schaller agreed in a consent order to a schedule for improvements to its wastewater treatment system and to pay stipulated penalties if the schedule is not met.
- Spencer Hospital, of Spencer, agreed in a consent order to submit a Title V annual emission inventory for 2005 and to pay a \$4,450 penalty. The consent order is in regard to air quality violations. Spencer Hospital has submitted the emission inventory and paid the penalty.
- Rock Valley Rural Water System, of Rock Valley, agreed in a consent order to obtain all
 required construction permits prior to construction, to comply with construction standards
 and to pay an \$8,000 penalty. The consent order is in regard to drinking water violations.

- Marvin Bates, of Columbus Junction, agreed in a consent order to maintain storm water discharge permit coverage, maintain a required Pollution Prevention Plan, refrain from accepting or possessing discarded appliances without a permit, and limit storage of waste tires to no more than 499 waste tires onsite at any time. The consent order is in regard to past violations at a salvage yard in Louisa County.
- Traer Municipal Utilities, of Traer, agreed in a consent order to pay a \$2,250 penalty. The consent order is in regard to resolving recordkeeping and air quality permit violations.
- IPSCO Steel, Inc., of Des Moines, agreed in a consent order to pay a \$1,000 penalty. The consent order is in regard to air quality violations at an IPSCO steel processing facility in Muscatine.
- Midway Water and Lighting Co., Inc., of Marion, agreed in a consent amendment to a 2004 administrative order to provide continuous disinfection of its drinking water facility and to pay a \$2,500 penalty. The 2004 administrative order is in regard to water supply violations.

Withdrawn Orders

The following orders have been withdrawn by the DNR:

• Puck Custom Enterprises, Inc. and Natural Pork Production II, LLC, both of Shelby County: A 2004 order regarding animal feeding operation violations is rescinded.

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